

**25351 to 25371—Continued.****25369 to 25371.** *DESCHAMPSIA ATROPURPUREA* (Wahlenb.) Scheele.*Distribution.*—A native of arctic regions, extending from Alaska to Labrador, and in northern Europe and Siberia.**25389 and 25390.** *AVENA SATIVA* L.**Oat.**

From Seville, Spain. Presented by Mr. R. L. Sprague, American consul, Gibraltar, Spain. Received April 30, 1909.

**25435.** *LECYTHIS USITATA* Miers. (?)**Sapucaia nut.**

From Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies. Presented by Dr. E. Andre. Received May 1, 1909.

“This is the species which produces the well-known sapucaia nuts of commerce; it abounds in the island of Caripe and other parts of the province of Para (Brazil).”  
*(J. Miers, Transactions, Linnæan Society, vol. 30, p. 208.)*

**25436.** *TUMBOA BAINESII* Hook. f.

From German Southwest Africa. Presented by Prof. J. Burt Davy, government agrostologist and botanist, Transvaal Department of Agriculture, Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa. Received May 1, 1909.

“A peculiar and rare monotypic plant of the deserts of German Southwest Africa. The short stem produces at its swollen apex, besides the cotyledons, in its entire lifetime only a single pair of yard-long ribbonlike leaves between which are borne the conelike inflorescences. The plant represents in its development (like *Gnetum*, see No. 19093) a transition stage between the lower gymnosperms, like the pines, and the angiosperms, or flowering plants.” *(W. Fischer.)*

*Distribution.*—A native of the stony desert plains in the vicinity of Mossamedes and Cape Negro in Portuguese West Africa, and in Damara-land in German West Africa.

*Note.*—This plant is the *Welwitschia mirabilis* of the botanical text-books and is as yet not generally known to the general reader under the above Latin name.

**25437 to 25440.**

From China. Procured from Mr. H. J. Openshaw, Yachow, Szechwan Province, via Chungking, West China. Received March 3, 1909.

The following seeds; Chinese names given by Mr. Openshaw.

**25437 and 25438.** *GLYCINE HISPIDA* (Moench) Maxim.**Soy bean.****25437.** *Huang dou.* Looks like *Acme*.**25438.** *Lu dou.* Very similar to *Guelph*.**25439.** *PISUM ARVENSE* L.**Field pea.***Wan dou.***25440.** *DOLICHOS LABLAB* L.**Bonavist bean.***Beh pien dou.* White.**25464.** *CUCUMIS MELO* L.**Muskmelon.**

From Yokohama, Japan. Purchased from the Yokohama Nursery Company. Received May 5, 1909.

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